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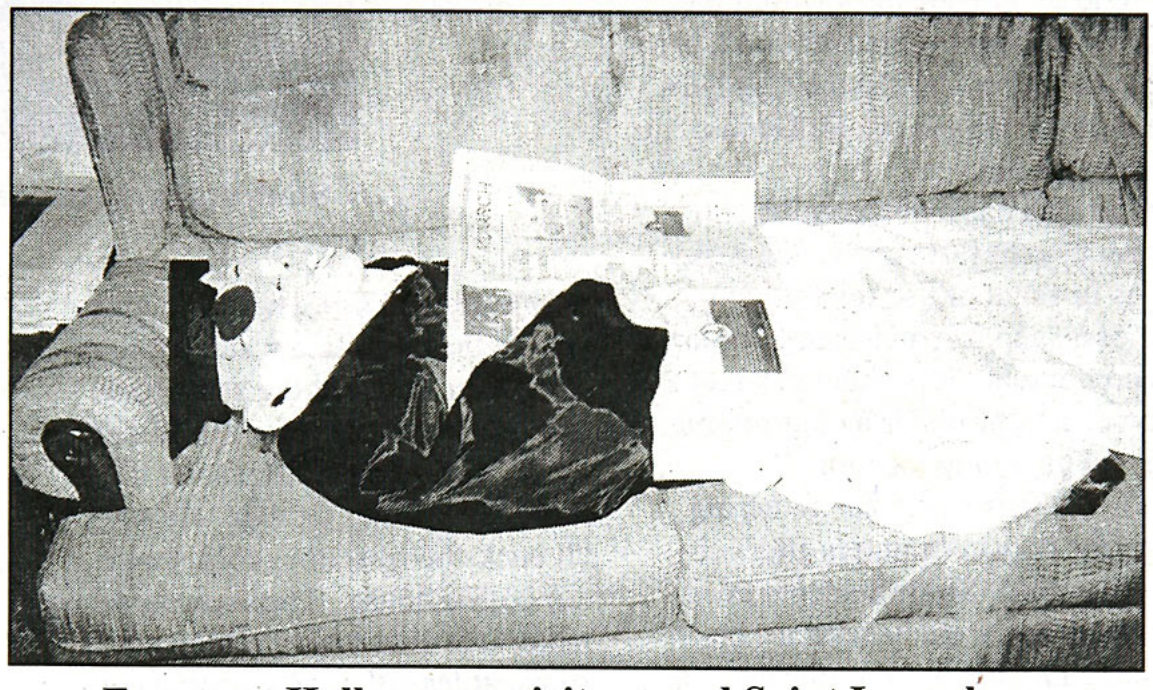

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Staff Writer &
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The Nightly Grind Coffee House was closed down at the beginning of this school year. It was located in the bottom of St. Francis Hall. The reasons for and reactions to this administrative decision have been varied. The two vice presidents who made the decision were Mr. Ben Donatelli, Vice President of Business Affairs, and Dr. Evelyn Vitale, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs. Mr. Donatelli's reasons were well defined: lack of restrooms, no handicap access, improper flooring and lack of hot water. Dr. Vitale's reasons dealt with sanitation concerns. Further statements made by Mr. Donatelli show, that to bring the Coffee House up to standards, a great deal of money would need to be invested. He remarked, "I was not waiting to wipe out the Coffee House; it was based on a series of mechanical decisions."

The reactions to the closing of the Coffee House ranged from saddened to less than sympathetic. Tina Arrington, a student and the coordinator of the newly formed Coffee House committee, stated, "I feel

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Parking Problems

Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

Have you found yourself driving around campus, following other students so you can take their parking space? Are you tired of running to class because, if you don't, you will be late?

Stephen Alvernaz, a senior who lives on campus, says, "I don't have a problem with it, but I don't think that it is good. I definitely don't think that it's good for commuters." Many commuters agree with Steve. Christopher Cieszyski is a commuter and says, "There is no parking situation because there is no parking. The post office parking lot has become my best friend." He also wants to know, "Why can't the freshmen who live at Marmion/Snyder walk to class?"

Marmion/Snyder seems to have parking problems, as well. When I asked Christopher's question to various freshmen, some said they do walk to class, but when it rains or you are carrying twenty pounds of books on your back, it's not the best hike. Freshman Fatima Turay lives in Marmion/Snyder and says, "It's hard to carpool when everyone leaves for class at different times. It's also a

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Frustrated students find themselves parking on the grass or in other unorthodox places.

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Students enjoy the new Cyber Cafe.

Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

Saint Leo University has undergone several changes within the past few months. One addition has been the Cyber Café in the Cage, located downstairs in the McDonald Student Center.

The area has many comfortable leather couches, six televisions, tiny tables to eat at or use for studying purposes, and internet access for laptop computers. It is situated next to Subway and provides a comfortable, convenient eating location.

The Café is a popular gathering place for both commuters and resident students. Some students even use the area for study sessions because unlike the library, one can eat and study at the same time. Teri Smith says, "The Cyber Café gives people the chance to watch various television shows at the same time, and it is a relaxing area just to hang out." Manny Torres does not think it is a good thing though. He says, "It sucks because they took away our coffee house. The area would be better if it didn't have all the televisions, at least that way people could eat and concentrate on their studying at the same time."

Unfortunately we, were unable to obtain any information about the Cyber Café from the administration. Our repeated attempts for an interview and information from Mr. Ben Donatelli, Vice President of Business Affairs, were unsuccessful. However, the Cyber Café is open everyday, so stop by and relax if you get the chance.

What if the Storm Hit?

Janice Burford
Staff Writer

This year has seen an upsurge of hurricanes headed toward Florida: Floyd, Gert, Harvey, and Jose. Twice the university has been shut down and classes canceled to avoid nature's fury. The man in charge of deciding whether or not to cancel classes due to hurricanes is Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Douglas Astolfi. It may seem as though the cancellation of classes is a bit hasty, especially considering that the two times classes were canceled, the skies were clear, and there was no rain in sight. However, Dr. Astolfi's motives for canceling classes can be seen as a concern for safety.

The safety issue can be interpreted in many ways. For starters, Dr. Astolfi would rather be sure that the student body is safe and not place both faculty and staff in danger. This includes commuters. When he was advised by the Pasco County Emergency Services of the possibility that hurricanes were heading towards Saint Leo, Dr. Astolfi cancelled classes to avoid placing commuters in danger while driving to school.

Dr. Astolfi gets his information from the emergency control people in Pasco County. He also listens to the weather forecasters for predictions of where the storm may hit.

One of the problems with canceling a class is that once you cancel, you can't retract the cancellation. "There's no way to recall faculty once you cancel class, and there's no way to call off a cancellation once you cancel," Dr. Astolfi stated. Once he decides to cancel, Dr. Astolfi then informs the public relations office of the decision. They, in turn, inform the media of the school's closing. They are also responsible for e-mailing the student body of class cancellations.

While cancellation of classes may have been seen as a cause for celebration by some students, this celebration will most likely come to an end when hurricane season ends in November. Even though no hurricanes actually passed through this part of the state, no one can argue that Dr. Astolfi wasn't concerned with the faculty and the student body's welfare when he cancelled classes.

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MUSIC REVIEWS

Tori Amos: *To Venus and Back*

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Tori Amos released her first double compact disc on September 9, 1999. This release had been heavily anticipated for over two months and for good cause, too. *To Venus and Back* is a phenomenal double CD. Within the first week of the release, this CD had already hit the Billboard's Top Two Hundred Album Chart at number twelve. The first CD, called *Venus Orbiting*, is an eleven-track CD filled with all new songs. A favorite track is Bliss, which happens to be the very first song. MTV has the music video for Bliss playing at random times throughout the day. The music public should check it out with their ears wide open! The second CD, called *Venus Live; Still Orbiting*, is a thirteen-track CD. It is packed with Tori at her best, live, from her 1998 Plugged Tour. "This CD is great, and I have it with me right now. I think that the live CD is my favorite," comments Jessica McKenzie, freshman. All of the songs on this CD are heartfelt, and some extraordinary ones are "Precious Things" and "Cornflake Girl." "She is like a fine wine that gets better with age," elaborates Jessica. "She is so eclectic and eccentric you have to love her." For those who have never heard of Tori Amos, she has been compared to the great Joni Mitchell and Kate Bush. Tori is an incredible singer who has amazing thoughts to express through her music. She sings from her heart, and her music gives her fans the butterflies. Two thumbs up for Tori; keep up the good work.

Sharika: *Ciega Sordomuda*

Janice Burford
Staff Writer

"Donde estan los ladrones?" Do you know what this phrase means? If you guessed, "Where are the thieves?", then you definitely know your Spanish. But did you know that this is also the title of Colombian rock sensation Shakira's album? Her single from this album, *Ciega Sordomuda,* is already a hit as well as, "Inevitable." In this venture, Shakira teamed up with Crescent Moon Studio guru Emilio Estefan as her executive producer. However, the sound is all Shakira. She wrote both the lyrics and the music for the album, which showcases a mariachi sounding single ("Ciega Sordomuda"), two ballads ("Moscas en la Casa" and "Sombra de Ti"), as well as a Middle Eastern-sounding single at the end of the album which just rocks ("Ojos Asi" - a must-listen-to!). Each song on the album has chart-topping potential, including "No Creo" (vaguely reminiscent of "Love Will Never Do (Without You)"), "Que Vuelvas" (a light-hearted upbeat song), and "Si Te Vas" (not the Jon Secada version). While salsa, mambo, and meengue remain staples of Latino music, Shakira definitely deserves some quality time in your CD player. She is due to release her English language debut album sometime next year; a definite date has not been set at this time. She's rejoining Emilio Estefan and hooking up with Gloria Estefan in writing the lyrics. Watch out for it!

Latin Music Trend

Renee Durrette
Staff Writer

Almost everyone has heard the phrase: "Livin' la Vida Loca." Once it is heard, it is difficult to get out of the heads of Americans. Latin music can be heard, at any time of day, on what may seem like every radio station. As Freshman Amber Davis said, "All you hear is Ricky Martin, Enrique Iglesias, and all those people." Freshmen Teri Makosiej added, "Some radio stations play the same songs over and over again because it's new and different."

Crossover artists (those who have had hits in languages other than English) have been on the rise in recent months. Ricky Martin started this trend with his self-titled English album, which was released in May and immediately went to the top of the Billboard Album charts. Jennifer Lopez took her album, *On the 6,* backed by the hit single, "If You Had My Love," to number one on Billboard's Album charts.

Will Latin music be here to stay? Amber Davis thinks, "It's just another trend that will be gone in a year or so." However, Annette Carey disagrees: "I think it will be here for a while." It's all up to the consumers. If the albums sell and the songs are requested, Latin music will be here for a while. If not, Latin music, like the "Macarena," will die out.

Various Artists: *Violator*

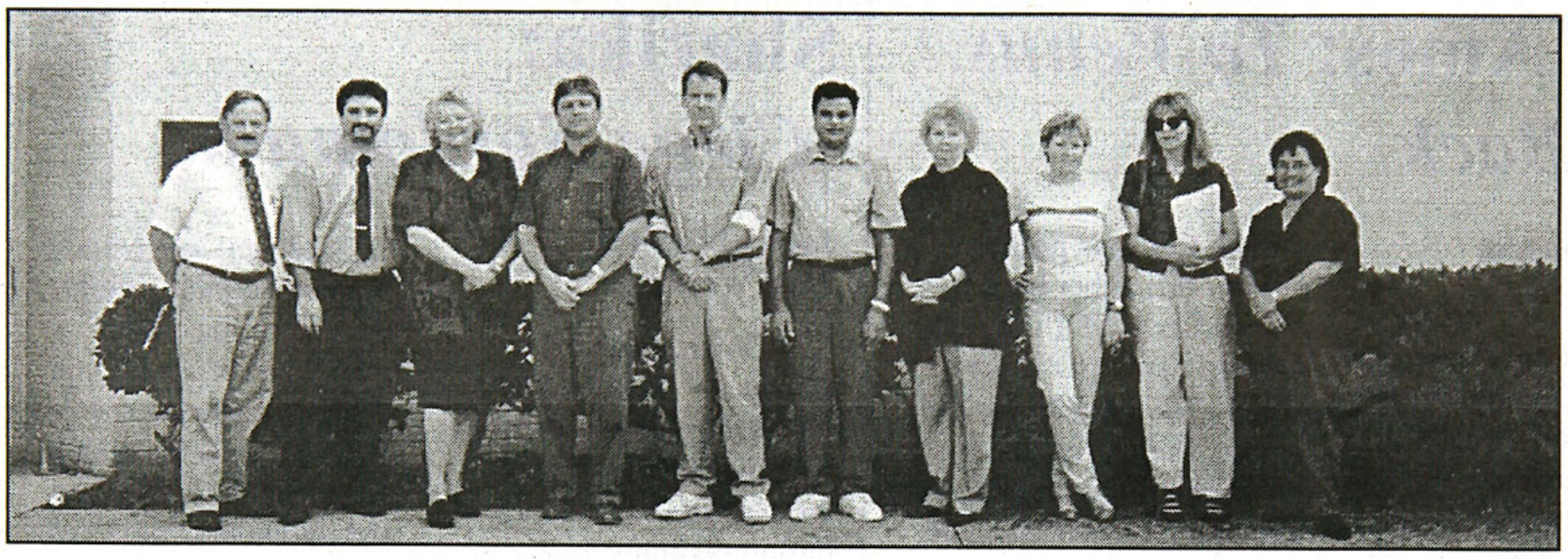
Walter Wright
Staff Writer

Heads up students! A gift from the rap gods has fallen from the sky. In the days when most hip-hop albums are repetitive and monotonous, one album can satisfy just about every rap connoisseur craving for good old hip-hop.

The *Violator* album is a veritable smorgasbord of spicy hip-hop treats. Songs of artists from New York all the way to Los Angeles make up the play list for this album. Some of the featured artists who are more well known are: LL Cool J, Busta Rhymes, Fat Joe, Big Punisher, Mobb Deep, and of course Q-Tip (of A Tribe Called Quest), who has brought a lot of attention to this venture with his hit song "Vibrant Thing."

One of the good things about this album is that it not only features established, mainstream artists; but it showcases some underground acts as well. This allows the audience to develop new, favorite artists and to become fans of up and coming artists. Some of these underground artists who make an impact on this album are Cam' ron, the Beatnuts, Cormega, Hot Boyz, and Eightball. These names may not be on MTV's top ten list but they all contribute strongly to this compilation. With songs like "Beatnuts Forever" by the Beatnuts, and "Who Can I Trust" by Cormega and the Hot Boyz, this album is a wise pick up for any hip-hop fan.

New Faces



L to R: Michael Cooper, Simack Bondari, Joanne Mac Eahran, Dan Moore, Robert Criss, Balbir Bal, Carla Martindale, Jane Robson, Audrey Colombe, & Cindy Lee

Dr. Deborah Pendarvis

John Barningham
Staff Writer

From her humble beginnings as a teacher of Spanish and Math at a high school, Dr. Deborah Pendarvis has gone on to receive a Ph.D. in accounting from the University of Florida in 1998. She has just recently begun her first semester at Saint Leo University. According to Pendarvis, her interests in accounting came from her interests in mathematics. "It just seemed the natural transition, because [accounting and math] dealt with numbers, she said." Her teaching experiences range from the University of South Mississippi to Flagler College in Florida.

Pendarvis feels that her prime motivation for coming to SLU was the fact that she wanted to pursue a career at a school that offered a good graduate program in Business. She also liked the value system, which SLU has. In addition, she hopes that she can take part in expanding what SLU has to offer. "What I am looking to do is to develop an ac-

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Prof. Carla Martindale

Jay Kubica
Staff Writer

Carla Martindale is the new Visiting Professor of Library Sciences. Her responsibilities are primarily concerned with the Distance Learning Program and providing library services to remote campuses.

Martindale started working in a temporary position at Saint Leo University last September. She began her current position in March and will likely remain here at least until the end of June.

Martindale began her career in the library sciences at an early age, in a small town. "I'm a reader. I started working in the public library at night when I was thirteen. They hired me because I'd read all the books in the library," Martindale said.

She received her BA degree from Mont Semario College in Lady Smith, Wisconsin, and her MA degree from the University of South Florida in Tampa. She also received a minor as a media specialist for grades K-12, a field she worked in for ten years. Her experience

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Dr. John Wozniak Dean of Arts and Sciences

Heidi Huff
Staff Writer

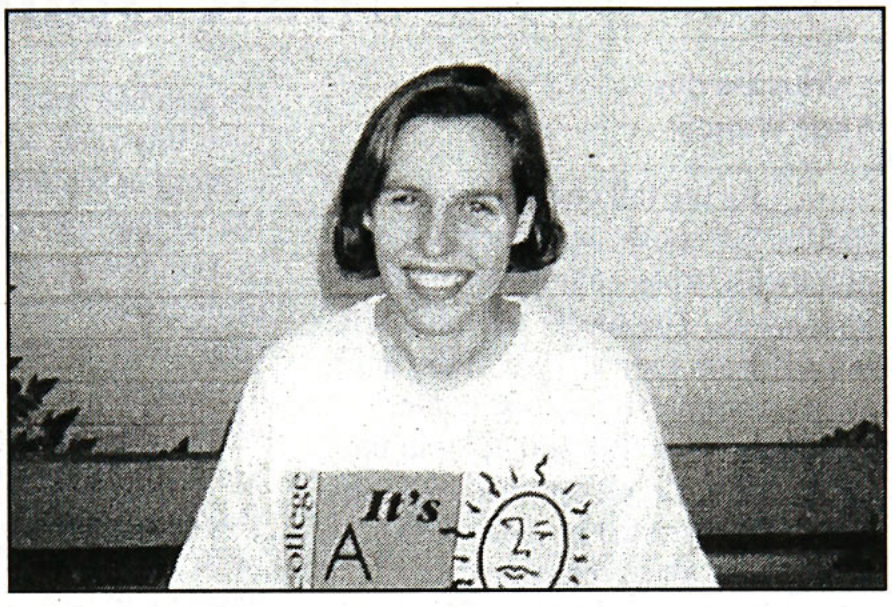
Definition of angle: 1. to fish with a hook, 2. to use artful means to obtain an objective. Once described as "the complete angler" by a former colleague, the previous descriptions seem to fit Dr. John Wozniak quite well. As the new Dean of Arts and Sciences, he is responsible for curriculum assessment, new programs, faculty, and many other odd jobs in his field. When asked how he decided upon this occupation he said, "I was involved with the religious, teaching Congregation of Christian Brothers." As a result, Dr. Wozniak is a very goal-oriented individual, and at the age of fifty-five, he has accomplished what many people only dream of. Nearly thirty years ago his personal goals were "to be a published anthropologist, successful administrator, and to aid academic programs with a Catholic background."

Dr. Wozniak's life, however, is not ruled solely by his job. He came to Florida for 3 main reasons: "[the] weather, fishing, and WWF." Although he has not yet adjusted to the heat and humidity, he still enjoys the climate and is looking forward to the winters.

Originally from Wisconsin, he was born a Packers fan. In fact, during the 1950's, when he was growing up, the Packers' practice field was in his hometown. He stated that "delivering papers and watching practice was a typical day."

Dr. Wozniak's focus is not only on his personal interests and his work but also on the people surrounding him. His secretary, Jo Ann Cook, commented, "Although I have only worked with Dr. Wozniak since July, I am very impressed by his deep understanding of higher education. He brings a high level of experience and skill to Saint Leo. I feel fortunate to be able to work with such a supportive supervisor." Dr. Wozniak's office is located on the 3rd floor of St. Edward Hall.

Student Profile: Sarah Hard



Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

Sarah Hard has been an active member of the Saint Leo campus for the past three years. Sarah is a junior majoring in Social Work. As an energetic freshman, Sarah volunteered for Community Service Days and was a member of the Social Work Club and Best Buddies. Sarah also participated in Sunday mass on campus as an Altar Server. She became the Academic Chair for the Student Government Union. At the end of her freshman year, she became a college Ambassador. At that year's Student Government Awards Banquet, she was given the Outstanding Freshman Award.

As Sarah began her sophomore year at Saint Leo, she was an Orientation Leader, Altar Server for Sunday mass, and Student Chaplain. She became part of Alpha Sigma Woman's Organization and was elected Treasurer. She also won the election for Student Government Union Secretary. She was one of the first members of the College's new Cross-Country Team. She organized and participated in the Community Service Day. Later that year, Sarah resigned as a Student Chaplain to be more active in students' lives as a Resident Assistant. At the Student Government Awards Banquet she won Outstanding Sophomore.

Sarah continues to be a Resident Assistant this year, and she has returned for another year to serve as Secretary of the Student Government Union. She is still a member of Ambassadors, the Social Work Club, Best Buddies, Alpha Sigma Women's Organization, and Cross-Country. She was a part of the Orientation Staff and is a Lector for Sunday mass on campus. She says, "The best part of being involved on campus is meeting new people, experiencing different activities and being able to help others."

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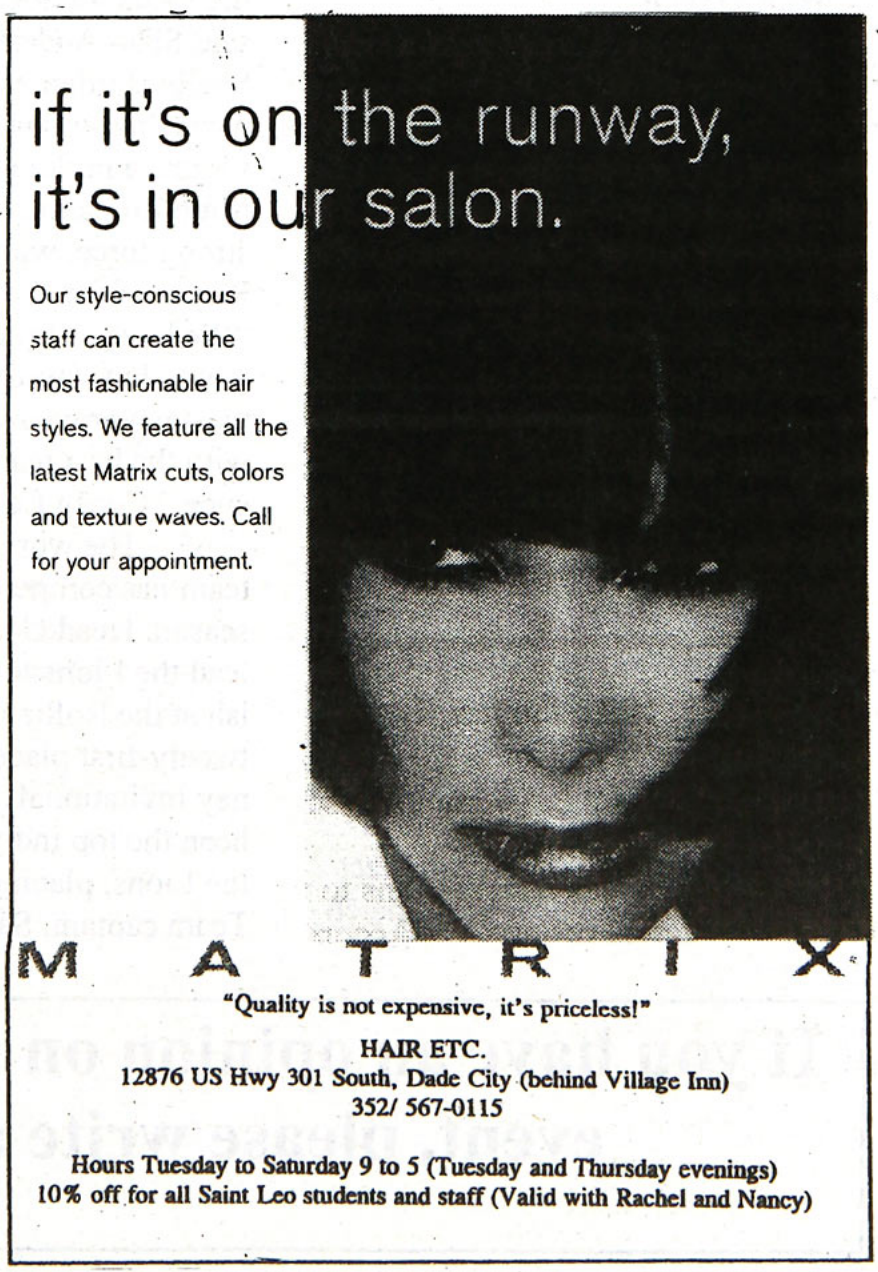
also includes work in the business field, which she obtained working with Harcourt Publishing.

Martindale is glad to be at Saint Leo. Coming from a small school background, she can appreciate the personal attention and help that students receive.

"I think for a small school, they offer a great deal to students," Martindale said.

The Cannon Memorial Library also impresses Martindale. "I think they have an excellent collection for this size of school," she said.



Male Sports Update

Carlos Davlos
Satff Writer

As the fall classes began, so did the fall sports, with men's soccer and men's cross-country swinging into action. The soccer team has six wins and six losses. Two of the wins were overtime victories at home, which led to excitement early in the season. The Lions, coached by Fran Reidy and assisted by Tony Paris and Greg Vallee, return with a young but talented squad. "We are improved over last year from experience, but we are still young with only one senior and a few juniors," Coach Reidy said when asked about the outlook of the season. The potential is there, but a few rough edges still need to be smoothed out. "If we want to make the playoffs this year, there are still a few things we need to work on," said Junior, Derek Wills; and with the season still young there is plenty of time for that.

As for Cross-Country, Head Coach Jubie Aulisio has the guys up and running. Team captain Scott Langen has been the Lions top finisher this year, with Danny Murphy coming in second. Freshman Mark Meyer has also done well, and Matt Wilson is coming on as the season progresses. "Our team has molded really well. Despite the loss of Mike duDomaine, I'm very confident that we'll finish strong at the Sunshine State Conference Championships in October," said Scott Langen of the team's current status. The Lions have competed in four meets thus far, with their best finish being at the Florida Southern Invitational, where they placed seventh. "The key to racing well is year round consistent training. Only after you develop a strong distance base, can you begin to push yourself where you test your limits. All of my runners are non-scholarship, which makes them true athletes in the purest sense of the word, where they compete for the love of the sport. Cross country runners deserve every bit of recognition they receive but they have to have an internal motivation to test their limits and push back the barriers that limit performance in every aspect of life. We are in a rebuilding phase, and I am always looking for more students to compete in cross country,"said Coach Aulisio. Ahead for the Lions, are the Sunshine State Conference Championships on Saturday, October 23rd, and the NCAA Southeast Regional Championship on Saturday, November 6th.

Dave Cuoco scores a goal.
Leonard Umhoefer Photos

Female Sports Update

Carlos Davlos
Staff Writer

In women's sports, the Lions volleyball and cross-country teams have had a solid season so far. The volleyball team has a 16-12 record. Head Coach Bill Lent and Assistant Coach Dan Girleanu have another strong team. Returning is senior middle hitter, Kristy Johnson, and senior defensive specialist, Mary Narciso, who are both captains. Jen Mobly has stepped in as setter to replace graduate Sarah Doctor. This moved Amy Hutson, who was expected to play setter, to outside hitter.

"Our concentration and chemistry on the court are evident this year; we've had to make difficult adjustments, but I love the fact that when it comes down to a match the focus for competition is there," said Shan Anderson who, along with Shelby Jordan, is making big impacts this season. Newcomer Tina Florea, a middle hitter from Baia Mare Romania, has also been a strong force, winning Sunshine State Player of the Week honor twice. "We have a strong team; we're young but improving quickly, and we have proved we can compete with the best teams in the conference," Coach Lent said.

The women's cross-country team has competed in two meets this season. Head Coach Jubie Aulisio lead the Lions to a fourth place finish at the Rollins Invitational and a twenty-first place finish at the Disney Invitational. Tacy Amering has been the top individual finisher for the Lions, placing in both meets. Team captain, Sarah Hard, has been a consistent number two runner. Alicia Pelliicer is a promising freshman; and Kate McCall, who also plays basketball, has been coming on strong. With the season just getting started, the Lions are hoping to finish in the top of their division. "As a team, we work at pushing ourselves and each other so that our potential levels of performance are being met. We have a lot of spirit and willingness to give our best in practice and in races. The women's team is working hard each morning, and, as our freshman runner Alicia says, 'The harder you practice, the stronger you'll be.'"-Tacy Amering

These are two young exciting teams who, with support from the student body, hope to finish strong.

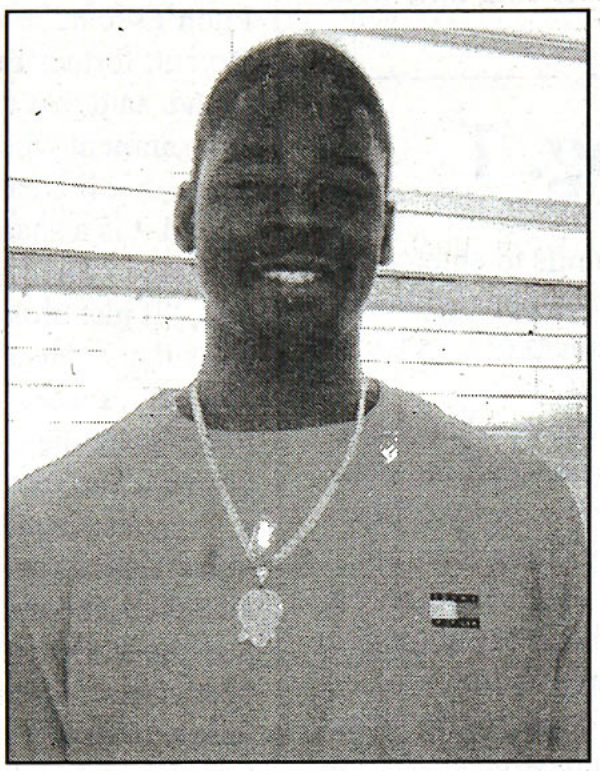
If you have an opinion on any campus related issue or event, please write a letter to the Editor.

Male Player Profile: Gary Downing II, Basketball

Walter Wright
Staff Writer

Saint Leo is expecting a big year from all of its sports teams, and basketball is no exception. Many players make up the team and this issue's player profile is Gary Downing II.

Gary Roy Downing II is originally from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He graduated from Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy in Fort Lauderdale, where he averaged 19.6 points per game. He first attended the University of South Florida, where he redsirted his first season and then transferred to Saint Leo University in 1997. In his first season with the Lions, Gary came off the bench to average 5.5 points per game. In preparation for the following season, Gary suffered a career-threatening injury that would take him out of action for an entire season. A torn ACL(anterior current ligament)in his knee had Gary on crutches and, more importantly, on the sidelines. After having surgery, Gary began rehab bravely, and has



worked and conditioned to be a contributing force in this year's run for the Sunshine State Conference title.

Gary says, "I feel that our team this year is smaller than in years past, but what we lack in size we make up speed and ability. Our team has very good shooters in all positions and I can hopefully lead by example on and off the court. The Sunshine State Conference is very tough this year, and I feel we have a valid chance at finishing strong."

Around Saint Leo, fans, friends, and fellow teammates anxiously await the sophomore debut of Gary Downing. Bret Slaughter says, "We've missed Gary these past years. I am glad and excited that he is returning to the line up." Daniel Palmer says, "I look forward to playing with Gary this season. He is a great competitor and hungry for victories." Megan Brown says, "I have heard a lot about Gary and his game. I am eager to see how he performs when it is game time." Gary seems to have a good relationship with the entire team and also the students on campus. He is well liked for his actions on and off the court.

At 6'3 and 215 pounds, this physical education major has worked diligently to regain his pre-injury status and now has a chance to prove his ability. He will help lead the Lions to victory. He has proven his mental and physical toughness by returning from a crippling injury, and is an inspiration for all athletes and an unsung team leader.

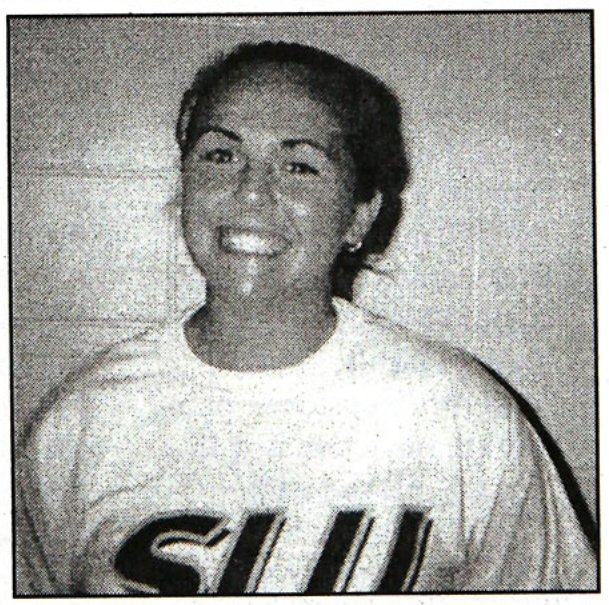
Female Player Profile: Jessica McKenzie, Softball

Walter Wright
Satff Writer

As the softball season approaches, the players of the Lady Lions stay busy getting ready. One of the players preparing is Jessica McKenzie. Jessica is an 18 year old freshman from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She attended Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy in Fort Lauderdale. A torn achilles tendon shortened her freshman year, but she still managed to make the All- County softball team playing outfield and designated hitter. At Saint Leo, Jessica is majoring in Business Administration.

Jessica joins the Lady Lions after their record- breaking season in 98-99. She will bring strong hitting to the lineup and add talented depth to the outfield and third base. "I think the team is gonna be good this year; there is good chemistry both on and off the field," Jessica remarked.

With her easygoing attitude, Jessica plans to do volunteer work following the end of the season. Her interests include soccer, listening to music and dancing… particularly the Robot. If you want to witness the entire girls softball team's skills firsthand, they practice on University field in the afternoons, and try to keep an eye out for number 23…Jessica McKenzie.



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tive internship program for the accounting program," she said. Moreover, she would like to develop an active internship program for the accounting majors.

In her past, Pendarvis received her pilot's license and spent time flying a small two-seater plane. However, today she is content spending the majority of her time playing with her pet Dobermans and spending time with her family.

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pain when you have a class on one side of the campus and have to walk from the other side." Commuter Joe Cappelletti said, "The parking sucks. It's not fair that we pay so much money to attend this school and get inferior treatment." Parking is not just a problem at our school, though. Dr. Vicas said, "This campus is a lot easier to deal with compared to large urban universities. Distances walked here are so much less harsh than the walks for students at other, larger, universities."

Mrs. Helton maintains that the campus does have enough parking for everyone. She says there is plenty of parking, and if people can't find parking in the Circle, they can try the parking lots next to DeChantel Hall. Parking can also be found behind Saint Edward Hall. However, if a person parks behind Saint Edward Hall, she warned that students should be careful not to park in faculty, staff, or post office customer parking (these designated areas are marked with signs). Parking in these places will surely get you a ticket.

There also is a grassy area next to Henderson Hall and the baseball field where students are allowed to park. This area can hold up to a thousand cars. There is no parking allowed by curbs or on grass (with the exception of the lot next to Henderson Hall). This is to preserve the campus landscape, as well as to allow room for any emergency units to enter and exit the campus without the problem of cars parked in their way.

Now, what about those pesky parking tickets? The security officers are only doing their job. If a person does receive a ticket, he or she should go to security within five school days. There he or she can pay the amount of the ticket, or can have it billed to his or her university tuition account. If the student does not go to security at all, security will bill the amount of the ticket to the student's account and charge a five-dollar service charge. Mrs. Helton said, "It's our job to write the tickets. If you can't find a parking spot, stop at security and we will assist you."

Mrs. Helton has made attempts to improve the current parking situations. She has talked to the freshman class about the dos and don'ts of parking on the campus, as well as encouraging the freshmen who live at Marmion/Snyder Halls to car pool to class. She has also posted parking guidelines in the Residence Halls. Security provides rides back to residence halls for students who do not have a ride to their hall. The rides are offered daily at 8pm, 10pm, 12am, and 2am. Just call security and let them know where you are located.

If you have any further questions about the parking situation or tickets, call Security at 588-8432 or visit the security office.

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that we, the student body, were robbed of our safe haven. The Nightly Grind was not just a coffee shop; it was our place to study, our place to relax, and our place to laugh and unwind." Sally Moore, a commuter and a member of the new Coffee House committee, felt that this untimely closing, by the administration, of the coffee house was uncalled for. "They say that students come first, but I don't see it," Moore said. In addition, student David Bryant, former Entertainment Manager of the Nightly Grind, said that the coffee house was a very personable environment where one was not overwhelmed by televisions, and it created a sense of community for everyone. "I feel it is a shame that the students lost that resource," he stated. The University President, Dr. Arthur Kirk, felt that, "It just broke down and I think everybody just regrets that." He also said that he liked to run down there and get a snack. Dr. Vitale said, "We will never be able to replicate the Coffee House . . . we have to mourn and grieve it and move on to something better."

As a result of the closing of this popular establishment, student employees not only lost a place of work but also their gathering place. It is important to note that neither the student body, nor the student employees, was ever contacted during the decision making process. The failure to notify students about the closing of the Nightly Grind in a timely manner engendered little discussion. Mr. Donatelli said that "No one really thought to pick up the phone and call anybody." Dr. Vitale apologized for the oversight. Tina Arrington feels that it was a case of sheer negligence on the part of the administration. "I feel that it was highly inconsiderate on the part of the administration not to inform the student body of the closing of the Nightly Grind- not only to the patrons thereof but also to those of us, myself included, who were promised summer employment."

In response to the closing of the Nightly Grind, a committee was formed to determine the feasibility of relocating the coffee house to a new location. This group is striving to bring a coffee house back to the campus.

Students feel that an important resource to the campus was lost this year. The coffee house gave them a place to gather, a comfortable study area, a late night snack stop, and it was an outlet for artistic talents. It created a stronger sense of community by bringing together many different groups from around the campus and giving them a place to mingle. The Nightly Grind was a popular part of the Saint Leo community, and it will be sorely missed.

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Concert Review:
Rhythm 'n Views

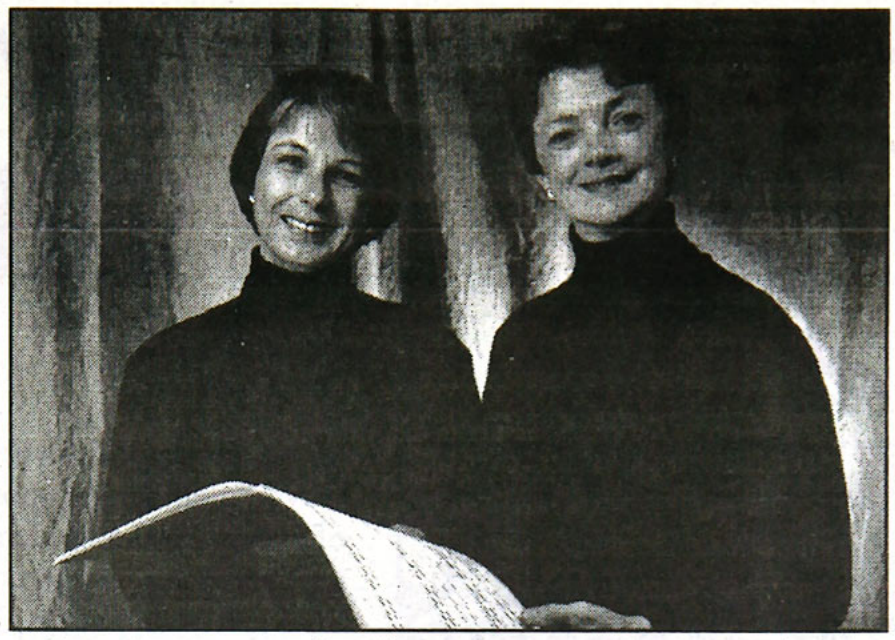
Kate Futrell
Editor-in-Chief

On October 19th, Dr. Joy Innis and Dr. Adrienne Shannon, native Canadians, performed a half-hour piano concert in Selby Auditorium. Not only did the duo deliver a beautiful musical performance, they also integrated amazing photography and poetic narratives.

They presented three parts of a program they were commissioned to do for the National Parks Centennial in Canada. The first was a piece from the Baroque period and the second and third pieces were by 20th Century Canadian composers. The images portrayed the old growth forests, native Canadian art, and spectacular coastlines of the west coast of British Columbia.

Students and staff poured into the auditorium to catch the show. Student Grace Dyer said, "I really admire all the passion and intensity with which they performed. I was so moved by the second piece, I thought I was going to cry."

Dr. Lynn Wilson commented,"I was enthralled with their ability to be together. Also the coordination of the music and photos was facinating."



Drs. Shannon & Innis

Drs. Innis and Shannon have toured internationally since 1982. They came to Saint Leo in 1998, and are currently working to develop the Fine Arts Department. Their professional name is PALENAI Piano Duo which means "unified diversity". Their programs with visual projections are known as Rhythm 'n Views. These "visualizations" of music are intended to mirror the contents of the musical score.

"People are excited about more cultural events on campus. They enjoy coming to hear music," said Dr. Innis. The duo is happy to report they are organizing a four-part Festival of Sound concert series hosted by Saint Leo this spring. The pair have also been invited to act as the international coordinators for the Sesol Music Research Society based in Seoul, Korea. Both are adjusting to their new homes and Saint Leo. "It's a much smaller University than we have worked at in the past, but it has a personal atmosphere. There is a lot of potential for arts on campus," commented Dr. Shannon.

Students and faculty with musical backgrounds also enjoyed the experience.

"It was a great cultural experience that broadened my horizons as a musician," said student Tom Publick.

Dr. Innis and Dr. Shannon can be reached at X8395. They are available to talk about the fine arts program, individual instruction, and music.

Movie Review:
Double Jeopardy

Jay Kubica
Staff Writer

Double Jeopardy, starring Tommy Lee Jones and Ashley Judd, is a film of betrayal and revenge. It is directed by Bruce Beresford, produced by Leonard Goldberg, and is a Paramount Pictures Presentation.

The film begins in scenic Washington, at the home of Nick (Bruce Greenwood) and Libby (Ashley Judd) Parsons. During a romantic boat trip, Nick frames Libby for his murder. Libby is convicted and spends six years in prison, during which time she learns the truth: Nick is not dead. After her release on parole, Libby sets out to find Nick and her son, Matty. Her only hindrance is her strict parole officer, Travis Lehman (Tommy Lee Jones). Beset by guilt over his own failures in life, Lehman tolerates no deviation from the parole rules. Libby breaks parole to find Nick and Matty anyway, and Lehman pursues. They end up in New Orleans, where Lehman becomes convinced of Libby's innocence, and they confront Nick together.

Double Jeopardy, like many films today, has its high points and low points. The most obvious low point is that *Double Jeopardy* is not in any way unique. The theatres are always showing a variation on the formula of big stars get wronged, meet, hate each other, then end up helping each other. Jones has starred in a number of these films, such as *The Fugitive*. Lehman's chase across the country after Libby is strikingly similar to the chase in *The Fugitive*.

Double Jeopardy's strength lies in being well-executed. The shots, the colors, and the attitude of the characters all convey the feelings of Libby to the audience as well, this time for action.

Double Jeopardy is not without company, but moviegoers should find it to be a little bit above its kin.

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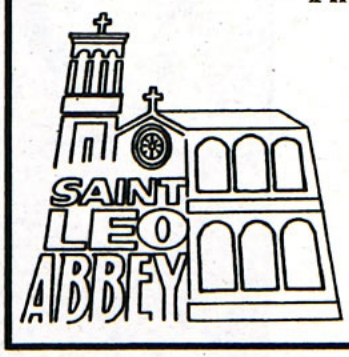


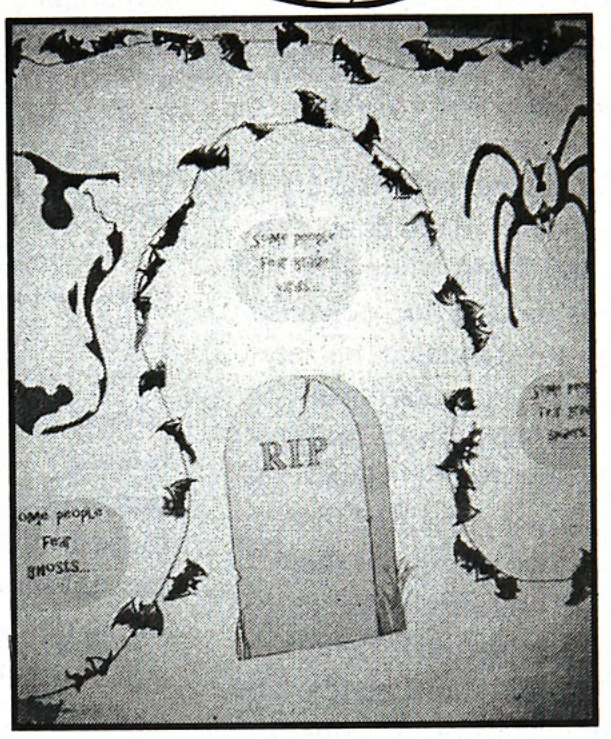
HALLOWEEN SPIRIT

Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

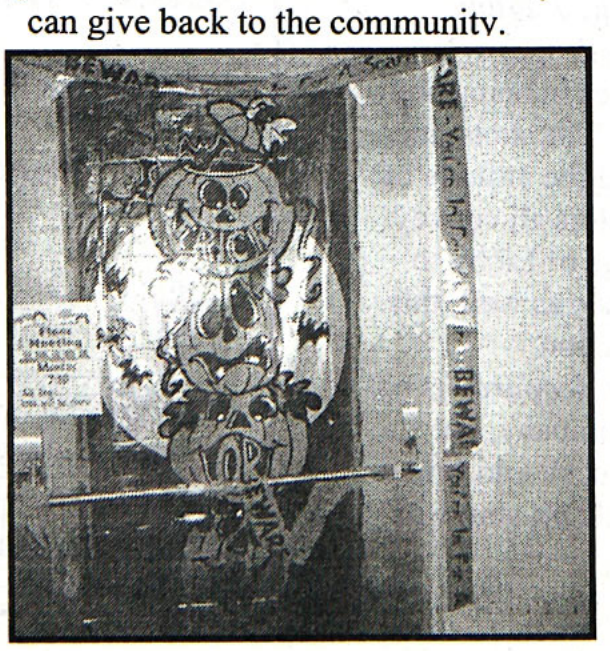
Every Halloween the Student Government Union sponsors a series of events for the Student Body. SGU sponsored a Scary Movie Night in the Student Activities Center (SAC) on October 20th, at 8pm. They showed scary movies throughout the evening.

This year Student Government offered a trip for 150 students to go to Halloween Horror Nights at Universal Studios on October 23rd. Although there were some problems with the students finding their way back to the busses on time, the night went well.

SGU also had an Organization Halloween Party in deChantal Hall on October 27th, at 8pm. Every organization on campus could attend a Halloween Party to kick back and relax and enjoy some food and beverages compliments of SGU. This year SGU sponsored a "Cash for Costumes" event which took place on October 29th. Students who wished to participate had to wear a costume throughout the day and were judged by members of the SGU.



So, what about that Halloween Tradition at Saint Leo: The Halloween Extravaganza? Well, this year, the department of Residence Life sponsored the event. It was a campus wide program. All Resident Assistants, along with the residents on their floor, participated in everything from the set-up to the clean-up of this program. There was a Haunted House in Marmion Hall and Trick-or-Treating in Snyder Hall for children in the local area and elementary schools. All clubs and organizations were asked to help with the night. And as always, it was a success. This is one way in which the students of Saint Leo University can give back to the community.

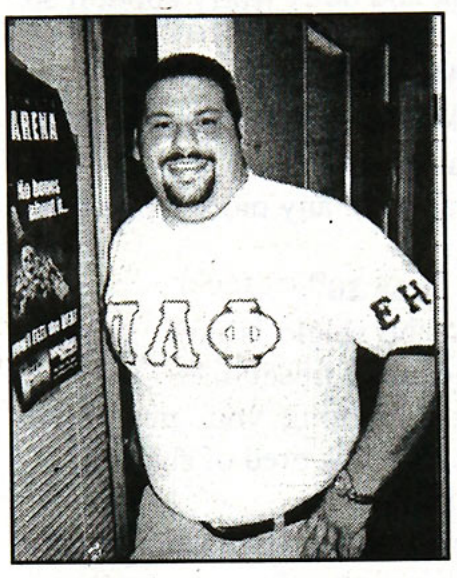


Changes in the Student Government Union

Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

The results are in! The Student Government Union has a new member of its executive board. Angelo Ritacco has been elected to serve as Vice President of Activities for his second consecutive year. Student Government isn't the only thing Ritacco is involved in. He is President of his Fraternity, Pi Lambda Phi, a member of Ambassadors, and has been an Orientation Leader for the past three years. Ritacco says that he is always open to new programming ideas and asks students either to call the Student Government Union at extension 8844 to make suggestions, or come visit him during his office hours on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

In other election news, Alissa Leef is the Freshmen Class President. Leef shares the duties with Freshmen Vice President, Carly Pack. The Sophomore Class President is Albert Torres, and the Junior Class President is Michael Velasquez. There has not yet been an election for Senior Class President or Vice President.



Scary Stories

Katie Sewell
Staff Writer

On October 27th Sigma Tau Delta's President Lanie Anderson and Treasurer Sharlene Gill, along with Resident Assistant Sage Waters, sponsored a Halloween Story-telling party in the Writing Center in Lewis Hall. Local elementary schools were invited to come and share in the Halloween Spirit. Any child who came was able to participate by reading a Halloween Story that he or she had written. Over twenty children participated. The kids came dressed up and ready to read for prizes. The prizes included McDonald's Gift Certificates and Gift Certificates to Chili's Restaurant. One parent remarked that it was a great program, and she hopes that the group continues to do programs like this one throughout the year.

Community Service Day

Heidi Huff
Staff Writer

Too often people get caught up in their own lives, so distracted that they never stop to think of anyone but themselves. Here at Saint Leo things are different. On October 2, 1999, the students, faculty, and staff pulled together to achieve one common goal on the annual Community Service Day. That goal was to help the nearby communities including Brandon, Dade City, San Antonio, and Zephryhills. Odd jobs included painting, yard work, trash removal, carpet cleaning, and replacement of furniture. Churches and agencies chose thirty recipients of the service, resulting in a wide spectrum of people. Beneficiaries included a cancer patient, several elderly and handicapped, an abused family, Sunrise, Meals on Wheels, a recovering surgery patient, and a survivor of a near-fatal car accident.

This year, bright and early on a Saturday morning, approximately 450 participants got their hands dirty, literally. Freshman, Matthew Fister, said, " I raked and bagged leaves and then unloaded them back at the school." Mike Hanks, chairman of the service day, thinks "the workers did a terrific job; the response was overwhelming." Saint Leo provided brushes, preparation supplies, and tools.

Not only did the service day help the community, it helped the participants, as well. Students got a chance to interact with one another as well as with their teachers and administrators. Dr. Marguerite McInnis commented, "It was nice to have my Freshman Foundations class to work with. It puts us more on a personal level." Everyone who attended this event came out of it with a little something more. Tessa O'Brien said, "It felt good to help someone who couldn't have accomplished it on their own."

Students were rewarded for their generosity with a campus-wide picnic at the pool. Just feeling good about what they had done was enough reward for some students. Jennifer Richards has even taken things into her own hands. She plans to "go back once a month and help the woman clean up her yard."

Greek 11 Column

Janice Burford
Staff Writer

The Greek Council has been keeping busy lately. Just recently they have elected their new Vice President of Fraternities and Vice President of Sororities. Clint Huff has been elected to be Vice President of Fraternities while Kiara Wilson has been elected Vice President of Sororities.

On October 28, the Greek Council hosted a "pre-rush" gathering at the Marmion/Snyder lounge. The purpose of this was to allow the freshmen to visit with some members of the many Greek organizations on campus. This happened at-4:30 p.m., at dinner time.

The Greek Council is now busy planning a Greek social that is to take place sometime in the fall semester. There is a debate over whether to make it a regular party or a toga party. At this time, there is still no word of where it is to be held and no word of what kind of party it will be.

12 MONTHLY HOROSCOPES

Aries, Ram - March 21st-April 19th
*Love - You have been eyeing that special person ☺ in you math class, don't talk to him, he's involved.
*School/Work - Take a break and don't worry about it so much.
Taurus, Bull - April 20th - May 20th
*Love - Don't pick up, look closer. The mind is more important than the body at this point.
*School/Work - Don't procrastinate any more! The time to act is NOW.
Gemini, Twins - May 21st - June 20th
*Love - The time for you to be single is now, surprisingly. Enjoy your recently acquired freedom.
*School/Work - Don't forget to bring your pencils to class. The girl who sits next to you is tired of sharing.
Cancer, Crab - June 21st - July 22nd
*Love - Beware of the person with the huge tattoo on his thigh. It means Trouble, with a capital T.
*School/Work - Take it easy, school has only just begun.
Leo, Lion - July 23rd - August 22nd
*Love - There is no reason to pair up. It's time to work hard on your own!
*School/Work – Get a properly functioning alarm clock. Being fashionably late to class is a no- no.
Virgo, Virgin - August 23rd – September 22nd
*Love - Give that special person a big sloppy kiss.
*School/Work - It is time to get your time management skills in order.
Libra, Scales - September 23rd – October 22nd
*Love - Tell your mate to shape up or ship out.
*School/Work - Help out with those in need.
Scorpio, Scorpion – October 23rd – November 21st
*Love – Put some sizzle in your love life. Go canoeing at the lake.
*School/Work – How about a break? You are working yourself into the ground.
Sagittarius, Archer – November 22nd - December 21st
*Love – Mister/ Miss Right is not responding. Try to flatter him or her with candy.
*School/Work – Studying can be a drag. Try doing it outside.
Capricorn, Goat - December 22nd - January 19th
*Love – Go trick-or-treating with that sunshine of your eyes.
*School/Work – Having a good time at school is important; just make sure your grades don't suffer, you party animal.
Aquarius, Water Bearer – January 20th - February 18th
*Love – Flaunt your great personality and the honies are sure to look your way.
*School/Work – Make some $money and use it towards your savings.
Pisces, Pair of Fish – February 19th - March 20th
*Love - Find someone with similar interests as you. Not the ant farm, silly.
*School/Work – Take a break and call your friends back home. They miss you.

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Apology from Administration

" We regret the closing of the coffeehouse due to health standard considerations. We'd like to apologize to all students and staff members whose lives have been inconvenienced by this move. We apologize, especially, to those students who were depending on the salaries from working in the coffeehouse and who had to find alternative employment at the last minute. Working with a newly formed Committee, chaired by Tina Arrington, we are looking to identify other sites on campus that could be developed into a cozy atmosphere, a coffeehouse meeting/studying place."

Evelyn B. Vitale
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